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REF: (A) TEL AVIV 5887 (B) STATE 103865

1. THE EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING FOREIGN
MINISTRY NOTE DATED MAY 25, 1978:

QUOTE.

THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE
EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND HAS THE HONOUR TO
REFER TO THE EMBASSY'S NOTE OF 22 FEBRUARY CONCERNING THE REQUEST
FOR COMPENSATION FOR PHYSICAL DAMAGE TO THE U.S.S. LIBERTY.

THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS APPRECIATES THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT BY
THE EMBASSY THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL HAS IN FACT SATISFACTORILY
COMPENSATED THE VICTIMS OF THE ATTACK AND THEIR SURVIVORS. THE
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS FURTHER SHARES THE COGNIZANCE
OF THE CLOSE AND WARM RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS AND
THE KNOWLEDGE THAT IT IS IN THE INTEREST OF BOTH GOVERNMENTS TO
SETTLE THIS LONG STANDING DISPUTE.

IN ORDER TO ATTEMPT TO REACH AN AMICABLE SETTLEMENT,WHILE RESERVING
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ISRAEL'S LEGAL POSITION IN THE MATTER, AN ISRAEL NEGOTIATING
TEAM HAS BEEN APPOINTED WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO ENDEAVOUR TO NEGOTIATE
SUCH A SETTLEMENT.

WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS TAKE PLACE AT THE MINISTRY OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN JERUSALEM AND WOULD WELCOME IT IF THE EMBASSY
COULD SUGGEST ALTERNATIVE DATES THAT WOULD BE CONVENIENT TO THE

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U.S. REPRESENTATIVES.

THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY
TO RENEW TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THE ASSURANCES

OF ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION. END QUOTE.

2. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S REACTION TO GOI PROPOSAL
THAT NEGOTIATIONS TAKE PLACE IN JERUSALEM AND SUGGESTIONS ON DATES
WHICH WE WOULD FIND CONVENIENT. EMBASSY IS PREPARED TO ASSUME
MAJOR NEGOTIATING RESPONSIBILITY, IF DEPARTMENT WISHES, PROVIDED
THAT WASHINGTON CAN SUPPLY DETAILED NEGOTIATING INSTRUCTIONS PLUS
LEGAL AND TECHNICAL TDY ASSISTANCE. PLEASE ADVISE.
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